

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

General comments

The Applicant is unsure of exactly how the previous response to the latest Office Action does not address the Examiner's concerns. The applicant will address what he believes to be the problem, and if he is not correct, then he asks the Examiner to specifically point out the concerns in the application and ensuing responses.

In the response to the Examiner's prior 103(a) rejection, the Applicant noted:

"The Examiner agrees that there are three separate characteristics of the present invention that are not disclosed in the prior art, yet jumps to a conclusion that in spite of this absence, the present invention is "obvious" in lieu of the Toll prior art reference. Without more reasoning that what is already provided, the **Examiner** believes that the argument presented under this basis for rejection is unfounded and lacks sufficient legal basis." (Emphasis added)

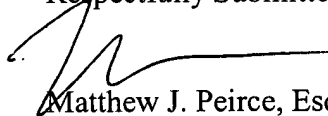
What the Applicant meant to say is more clear if he would have substituted in the word "Applicant" where the highlighted "Examiner" is located in the last sentence of the paragraph. Simply put, the Applicant believes that it would not be logical to take three separate items that are unrelated, add them to an existing invention, and then somehow declare this new invention "obvious" in lieu of the prior art. The amount of changes necessary to support this stretch of a logical jump is too much and is unfounded.

Applicant trusts this clears the matter up at hand. If the Examiner needs further clarification on this point, Applicant asks that the Examiner call the applicant's attorney for further clarification.

CONCLUSION

For all of the above-described reasons, applicant submits that the specifications and claims are now in proper form, and that the claims define patentability over the prior art. In addition, applicant believes that his arguments in the "Remarks" section successfully traverses the objections and rejections brought forth by the Examiner in the Office Action. Therefore, the applicant respectfully submits that this application is now in condition for allowance, which action he respectfully solicits. If the Examiner feels that some of the dependent claims are allowable, the Applicant asks the Examiner to allow the Applicant to make any amendments to the allowed claims to incorporate all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Respectfully Submitted,



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